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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN

District of

NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

HECTOR LUIS FLORES JR.

A/K/A/ PAUL PACHECO

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

Case Number: 07 CR 612 DAB

USM Number: 60115-054

MARK GOMBINER

Defendant's Attorney

THE DEFENDANT:

☒ pleaded guilty to count(s) 1 ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2007☐ pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) _____
which was accepted by the court.☐ was found guilty on count(s) _____
after a plea of not guilty.

The defendant is adjudicated guilty of these offenses:

<u>Title & Section</u>	<u>Nature of Offense</u>	<u>Offense Ended</u>	<u>Count</u>
18 USC 922	FELON IN POSSESSION OF A FIREARM	04-04-2007	1

The defendant is sentenced as provided in pages 2 through 6 of this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

☐ The defendant has been found not guilty on count(s) _____

Count(s) _____ is are dismissed on the motion of the United States.

It is ordered that the defendant must notify the United States attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant must notify the court and United States attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.

DECEMBER 17, 2007

Date of Imposition of Judgment

Deborah A. Batts

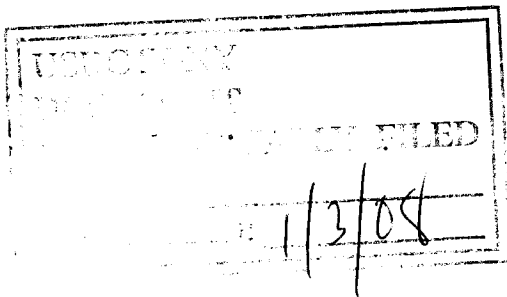
Signature of Judge

DEBORAH A. BATTIS, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Name and Title of Judge

1-13-2008

Date



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IMPRISONMENT

The defendant is hereby committed to the custody of the United States Bureau of Prisons to be imprisoned for a total term of:

FOURTEEN MONTHS.

THE DEFENDANT IS NOTIFIED OF HIS RIGHT TO APPEAL.

☐ The court makes the following recommendations to the Bureau of Prisons:

☒ The defendant is remanded to the custody of the United States Marshal.

☐ The defendant shall surrender to the United States Marshal for this district:

☐ at _____ ☐ a.m. ☐ p.m. on _____.

☐ as notified by the United States Marshal.

☐ The defendant shall surrender for service of sentence at the institution designated by the Bureau of Prisons:

☐ before 2 p.m. on _____.

☐ as notified by the United States Marshal.

☐ as notified by the Probation or Pretrial Services Office.

RETURN

I have executed this judgment as follows:

Defendant delivered _____ to _____
at _____, with a certified copy of this judgment.

UNITED STATES MARSHAL

By _____
DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL

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SUPERVISED RELEASE

Upon release from imprisonment, the defendant shall be on supervised release for a term of :

THREE YEARS.

The defendant must report to the probation office in the district to which the defendant is released within 72 hours of release from the custody of the Bureau of Prisons.

The defendant shall not commit another federal, state or local crime.

The defendant shall not unlawfully possess a controlled substance. The defendant shall refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. The defendant shall submit to one drug test within 15 days of release from imprisonment and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter, as determined by the court.

- ☐ The above drug testing condition is suspended, based on the court's determination that the defendant poses a low risk of future substance abuse. (Check, if applicable.)
- ☐ The defendant shall not possess a firearm, ammunition, destructive device, or any other dangerous weapon. (Check, if applicable.)
- ☐ The defendant shall cooperate in the collection of DNA as directed by the probation officer. (Check, if applicable.)
- ☐ The defendant shall register with the state sex offender registration agency in the state where the defendant resides, works, or is a student, as directed by the probation officer. (Check, if applicable.)
- ☐ The defendant shall participate in an approved program for domestic violence. (Check, if applicable.)

If this judgment imposes a fine or restitution, it is a condition of supervised release that the defendant pay in accordance with the Schedule of Payments sheet of this judgment.

The defendant must comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court as well as with any additional conditions on the attached page.

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

- 1) the defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the permission of the court or probation officer;
- 2) the defendant shall report to the probation officer and shall submit a truthful and complete written report within the first five days of each month;
- 3) the defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer;
- 4) the defendant shall support his or her dependents and meet other family responsibilities;
- 5) the defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation, unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training, or other acceptable reasons;
- 6) the defendant shall notify the probation officer at least ten days prior to any change in residence or employment;
- 7) the defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not purchase, possess, use, distribute, or administer any controlled substance or any paraphernalia related to any controlled substances, except as prescribed by a physician;
- 8) the defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed, or administered;
- 9) the defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony, unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer;
- 10) the defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view of the probation officer;
- 11) the defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer;
- 12) the defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the court; and
- 13) as directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to confirm the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement.

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SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

The Defendant shall be tested periodically at the direction of the Department of Probation for substance abuse, and, should he test positive, he shall participate in a substance abuse prevention program, be it residential or nonresidential, as directed by the Department of Probation.

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CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES

The defendant must pay the total criminal monetary penalties under the schedule of payments on Sheet 6.

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Restitution</u>
TOTALS	\$ 100.00	\$ NO FINE	\$ NO RESTITUTION

☐ The determination of restitution is deferred until _____. An *Amended Judgment in a Criminal Case* (AO 245C) will be entered after such determination.

☐ The defendant must make restitution (including community restitution) to the following payees in the amount listed below.

If the defendant makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximately proportioned payment, unless specified otherwise in the priority order or percentage payment column below. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(I), all nonfederal victims must be paid before the United States is paid.

<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Total Loss*</u>	<u>Restitution Ordered</u>	<u>Priority or Percentage</u>
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TOTALS	\$ _____ 0	\$ _____ 0
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☐ Restitution amount ordered pursuant to plea agreement \$ _____

☐ The defendant must pay interest on restitution and a fine of more than \$2,500, unless the restitution or fine is paid in full before the fifteenth day after the date of the judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f). All of the payment options on Sheet 6 may be subject to penalties for delinquency and default, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).

☐ The court determined that the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest and it is ordered that:

☐ the interest requirement is waived for the ☐ fine ☐ restitution.

☐ the interest requirement for the ☐ fine ☐ restitution is modified as follows:

* Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.

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SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Having assessed the defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties are due as follows:

- A ☐ Lump sum payment of \$ _____ due immediately, balance due
- ☐ not later than _____, or
- ☐ in accordance ☐ C, ☐ D, ☐ E, or ☐ F below; or
- B ☐ Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with ☐ C, ☐ D, or ☐ F below); or
- C ☐ Payment in equal _____ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ _____ over a period of _____ (e.g., months or years), to commence _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after the date of this judgment; or
- D ☐ Payment in equal _____ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$ _____ over a period of _____ (e.g., months or years), to commence _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment to a term of supervision; or
- E ☐ Payment during the term of supervised release will commence within _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment. The court will set the payment plan based on an assessment of the defendant's ability to pay at that time; or
- F ☒ Special instructions regarding the payment of criminal monetary penalties:

Defendant shall pay a special assessment of \$100.00 within 60 days of release from imprisonment.

Unless the court has expressly ordered otherwise, if this judgment imposes imprisonment, payment of criminal monetary penalties is due during imprisonment. All criminal monetary penalties, except those payments made through the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program, are made to the clerk of the court.

The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

☐ Joint and Several

Defendant and Co-Defendant Names and Case Numbers (including defendant number), Total Amount, Joint and Several Amount, and corresponding payee, if appropriate.

- ☐ The defendant shall pay the cost of prosecution.
- ☐ The defendant shall pay the following court cost(s):
- ☐ The defendant shall forfeit the defendant's interest in the following property to the United States:

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment, (2) restitution principal, (3) restitution interest, (4) fine principal, (5) fine interest, (6) community restitution, (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.

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STATEMENT OF REASONS
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I COURT FINDINGS ON PRESENTENCE INVESTIGATION REPORT

A ☐ The court adopts the presentence investigation report without change.

B ☒ The court adopts the presentence investigation report with the following changes.

(Check all that apply and specify court determination, findings, or comments, referencing paragraph numbers in the presentence report, if applicable.)
(Use page 4 if necessary.)

1 ☐ Chapter Two of the U.S.S.G. Manual determinations by court (including changes to base offense level, or specific offense characteristics):

2 ☒ Chapter Three of the U.S.S.G. Manual determinations by court (including changes to victim-related adjustments, role in the offense, obstruction of justice, multiple counts, or acceptance of responsibility):

The Court finds that the Defendant has accepted responsibility and earned the two-level reduction. The presentence report shall be revised to reflect the appropriate guideline offense level of 12, not 14.

3 ☐ Chapter Four of the U.S.S.G. Manual determinations by court (including changes to criminal history category or scores, career offender, or criminal livelihood determinations):

4 ☐ Additional Comments or Findings (including comments or factual findings concerning certain information in the presentence report that the Federal Bureau of Prisons may rely on when it makes inmate classification, designation, or programming decisions):

C ☐ The record establishes no need for a presentence investigation report pursuant to Fed.R.Crim.P. 32.

II COURT FINDING ON MANDATORY MINIMUM SENTENCE (Check all that apply.)

A ☐ No count of conviction carries a mandatory minimum sentence.

B ☐ Mandatory minimum sentence imposed.

C One or more counts of conviction alleged in the indictment carry a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment, but the sentence imposed is below a mandatory minimum term because the court has determined that the mandatory minimum does not apply based on

☐ findings of fact in this case

☐ substantial assistance (18 U.S.C. § 3553(e))
the statutory safety valve (18 U.S.C. § 3553(f))

III COURT DETERMINATION OF ADVISORY GUIDELINE RANGE (BEFORE DEPARTURES):

Total Offense Level: 12

Criminal History Category: II

Imprisonment Range: 12 to 18 months

Supervised Release Range: 2 to 3 years

Fine Range: \$ 4,000.00 to \$ 40,000.00

☒ Fine waived or below the guideline range because of inability to pay.

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IV ADVISORY GUIDELINE SENTENCING DETERMINATION (Check only one.)

- A ☒ The sentence is within an advisory guideline range that is not greater than 24 months, and the court finds no reason to depart.
- B The sentence is within an advisory guideline range that is greater than 24 months, and the specific sentence is imposed for these reasons.
(Use page 4 if necessary.)
- C The court departs from the advisory guideline range for reasons authorized by the sentencing guidelines manual.
(Also complete Section V.)
- D ☐ The court imposed a sentence outside the advisory sentencing guideline system. (Also complete Section VI.)

V DEPARTURES AUTHORIZED BY THE ADVISORY SENTENCING GUIDELINES (If applicable.)

A The sentence imposed departs (Check only one.):

- ☐ below the advisory guideline range
☐ above the advisory guideline range

B Departure based on (Check all that apply.):

- 1 **Plea Agreement** (Check all that apply and check reason(s) below.):
☐ 5K1.1 plea agreement based on the defendant's substantial assistance
☐ 5K3.1 plea agreement based on Early Disposition or "Fast-track" Program
☐ binding plea agreement for departure accepted by the court
☐ plea agreement for departure, which the court finds to be reasonable
☐ plea agreement that states that the government will not oppose a defense departure motion.
- 2 **Motion Not Addressed in a Plea Agreement** (Check all that apply and check reason(s) below.):
☐ 5K1.1 government motion based on the defendant's substantial assistance
☐ 5K3.1 government motion based on Early Disposition or "Fast-track" program
☐ government motion for departure
☐ defense motion for departure to which the government did not object
☐ defense motion for departure to which the government objected
- 3 **Other**
 Other than a plea agreement or motion by the parties for departure (Check reason(s) below.):

C Reason(s) for Departure (Check all that apply other than 5K1.1 or 5K3.1.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 4A1.3 Criminal History Inadequacy | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.1 Death | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.11 Lesser Harm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.1 Age | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.2 Physical Injury | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.12 Coercion and Duress |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.2 Education and Vocational Skills | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.3 Extreme Psychological Injury | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.13 Diminished Capacity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.3 Mental and Emotional Condition | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.4 Abduction or Unlawful Restraint | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.14 Public Welfare |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.4 Physical Condition | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.5 Property Damage or Loss | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.16 Voluntary Disclosure of Offense |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.5 Employment Record | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.6 Weapon or Dangerous Weapon | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.17 High-Capacity, Semiautomatic Weapon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.6 Family Ties and Responsibilities | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.7 Disruption of Government Function | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.18 Violent Street Gang |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5H1.11 Military Record, Charitable Service, Good Works | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.8 Extreme Conduct | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.20 Aberrant Behavior |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.0 Aggravating or Mitigating Circumstances | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.9 Criminal Purpose | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.21 Dismissed and Uncharged Conduct |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.10 Victim's Conduct | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.22 Age or Health of Sex Offenders |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K2.23 Discharged Terms of Imprisonment |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other guideline basis (e.g., 2B1.1 commentary) |

D Explain the facts justifying the departure. (Use page 4 if necessary.)

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VII COURT DETERMINATIONS OF RESTITUTION

A ☒ Restitution Not Applicable.

B Total Amount of Restitution: _____

C Restitution not ordered (Check only one.):

- 1 ☐ For offenses for which restitution is otherwise mandatory under 18 U.S.C. § 3663A, restitution is not ordered because the number of identifiable victims is so large as to make restitution impracticable under 18 U.S.C. § 3663A(c)(3)(A).
- 2 ☐ For offenses for which restitution is otherwise mandatory under 18 U.S.C. § 3663A, restitution is not ordered because determining complex issues of fact and relating them to the cause or amount of the victims' losses would complicate or prolong the sentencing process to a degree that the need to provide restitution to any victim would be outweighed by the burden on the sentencing process under 18 U.S.C. § 3663A(c)(3)(B).
- 3 ☐ For other offenses for which restitution is authorized under 18 U.S.C. § 3663 and/or required by the sentencing guidelines, restitution is not ordered because the complication and prolongation of the sentencing process resulting from the fashioning of a restitution order outweigh the need to provide restitution to any victims under 18 U.S.C. § 3663(a)(1)(B)(ii).
- 4 ☐ Restitution is not ordered for other reasons. (Explain.)

D ☐ Partial restitution is ordered for these reasons (18 U.S.C. § 3553(c)):

VIII ADDITIONAL FACTS JUSTIFYING THE SENTENCE IN THIS CASE (If applicable.)

SEE ATTACHED

Sections I, II, III, IV, and VII of the Statement of Reasons form must be completed in all felony cases.

Defendant's Soc. Sec. No.: 061-66-6529

Defendant's Date of Birth: APRIL 11, 1980

Defendant's Residence Address: 617 OAK TREE PLACE
BRONX, N.Y. 10457

Defendant's Mailing Address: _____

Date of Imposition of Judgment

DECEMBER 17, 2007

Deborah A. Batts

Signature of Judge

DEBORAH A. BATTS, U.S.D.J.

Name and Title of Judge

Date Signed

1-18-2008

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At issue is whether or not the defendant has earned the two point reduction for acceptance of responsibility in his advisory guideline offense level. It appears that the statement he made to the arresting officers corroborates both what he allocuted to under oath and part of what he told the probation officer. By denying that he had the gun except to throw it away when the police arrived in his statement to probation, it could be argued that he attempted to minimize his role in the crime. On the other hand, the "excited utterance" ambience of his post-arrest statement where he clearly accepts responsibility for possession of the gun and his allocution under oath where he admitted straightforwardly that he possessed the gun could balance his most recent in time, unsworn statements to probation. The Court finds that his demeanor before the Court at the guilty plea and his plea allocution, coupled with his arrest statement, mitigates the attempted role minimization with probation.

Accordingly, the Court accepts and adopts the factual recitations set forth in the pre-sentence report. I accept and adopt the criminal history category of II as set forth in the pre-sentence report. The Court also accepts and adopts the financial conditions and ability to pay findings of the pre-sentence report.

The Court does not accept and adopt the guideline offense level of 14, as set forth in the pre-sentence report. The Court finds that the defendant has accepted responsibility and thus has earned the 2 level reduction. The pre-sentenced report shall be revised to reflect the appropriate guideline offense level of 12, not 14.

The Court has considered the relevant sections of the advisory sentencing guidelines and the sentencing factors set forth in 18 USC Sec. 3553(a), and finds, on the facts of this case as admitted to by the defendant in his guilty plea and as set forth in the pre-sentence report, that there is no reason to depart from the advisory sentencing guideline range. However, the Court also finds that the back-pedaling of the Defendant's statement to probation negates sentencing him at the low end of the guideline range.